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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF UNEF

1. ACTG SC PRES LECOMPT (FRANCE) ADVISED AMB SCALI TODAY HE AIMING FOR FORMAL SC APPROVAL OF THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF UNEF AT MTG ABOUT APR 16. HE SAID EGYPTIAN REP MEGUID HAS ADVISED HIM EGYPT WANTS A BRIEF, NON-CONTROVERSIAL RES MODELED ON RES 363 WHICH EXTENDED UNDOF (REPEAT UNDOF). MEGUID TOLD HIM, SAID LECOMPT, THAT EGYPT PREFERRED UNDOF RATHER THAN UNEF EXTENSION MODEL (RES 362) BECAUSE HE WANTED TO AVOID INCLUDING LENGTHY CONTENTIOUS MARGINAL ISSUES WHICH SOVS INSISTED ON LAST TIME SUCH AS FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT.

2. LECOMPT SAID SOV REP MALIK, WITH WHOM HE MET PRIOR TO DISCUSSION WITH SCALI, FIRST INSISTED THAT RES 362 BE MODEL FOR NEWEST EXTENSION OF UNEF. HOWEVER, AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, HE INDICATED HE MIGHT BE WILLING TO ACCEPT RES 363 AS MODEL, SAYING THAT IF RES BRIEF, HE WLD THEN MAKE LONG SPEECH.

3. LECOMPT SAID HE AIMING FOR APR 16 MTG BECAUSE THAT IS DATE SYG SAID HE WLD BE AVAILABLE. IN ADDITION, LECOMPT NOTED THAT SYG REPORT ON UNEF WLD NOT BE COMPLETED UNTIL APR 12. IN SCENARIO LECOMPT OUTLINED, SC MEMBERS WLD MEET INFORMALLY TO CONSIDER SYG REPORT EITHER APR 14 OR APR 15.

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4. LECOMPT SAID HE WLD BE WILLING TO PRESENT SIMPLE RES EXTENDING UNEF THREE MONTHS AS PRES OF SC, IF HE WAS ASSURED OF CONSENSUS. BUT HE NOTED THAT NON-ALIGNED IN PAST HAD SPONSORED SOME RESES AND WONDERED IF THEY WANTED CONTINUING ROLE AS SPONSORS. LECOMPT SAID HE WLD MEET WITH NON-ALIGNED MONDAY TO DISCUSS STATE OF PLAY. HE SAID HE WLD MEET WITH BRIT AND CHINESE TOMORROW.

5. ISRAELI REP TEKOAH, WHOM HE MET WITH YESTERDAY, HAS PROMISED HIM ISRAELI GOVT REACTION TO EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL EITHER FRIDAY OR MONDAY. LECOMPT SAID THAT TEKOAH IN INITIAL COMMENTS OPPOSED SHORTENING UNEF EXTENSION FROM SIX TO THREE MONTHS CONTENDING THAT UNEF WAS A MAIN ELEMENT OF DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT AND DURATION COULD NOT ARBITRARILY BE SHORTENED. LECOMPT ASKED THAT SCALI USE HIS INFLUENCE WITH TEKOAH TO PERSUADE HIM TO AVOID CONTROVERSIAL COMMENTS AND POLEMICS DURING PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF UNEF EXTENSION. SCALI SAID HE WLD DO WHAT HE CLD AND WOULD ADVISE LECOMPT AS TO USG VIEWS. LECOMPT REPORTED THAT FRENCH REP DE GUIRINGAUD TENTATIVELY PLANNED TO RETURN TO NY APR 13 AND BE IN CHAIR FOR SC SESSION ON UNEF RENEWAL.

6. LECOMPT SAID MALIK HAD ADVISED HIM THAT SYRIANS IN NEW YORK WANTED UNDOF EXTENDED FOR ONLY TWO MONTH PERIOD. LECOMPT SAID THIS MATCHED INFO FRENCH EMB IN WASHINGTON HAD RECD FROM STATE DEPT. SCALI

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